Waianae encampment seeks help from state

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Residents of a large homeless encampment near the Waianae Small Boat Harbor say they are not to blame for many of the concerns being cited as reasons to explore shutting down the village on state-owned property.

With more than 200 residents, the encampment known as Pu'uhonua o Waianae sits on 20 acres of state land between Waianae High School and the boat harbor.

Officials with the state Department of Land and Natural Resources, which owns the parcel and the boat harbor, have said the agency needs to address serious concerns about hygiene, refuse, soaring water use at the harbor, and the destruction of natural and cultural resources. Area lawmakers say there's

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Pension fund trustees fire investment chief

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The trustees of the $16.9 billion public workers pension fund have fired their chief investment officer, instructing him on Monday to leave the offices of the Employees' Retirement System and not return, according to sources familiar with the action.

Vijoy "Paul" Chattergy joined the ERS as an investment specialist in 2011, and became its fourth chief investment officer late the following year. His salary was $240,000 annually.

Officials familiar with the situation said some of the eight ERS trustees cited problems with Chattergy's "management style" as the grounds for his termination.

Chattergy did not respond to requests for comment Wednesday, and ERS Executive Director

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The deadliest school shooting since Sandy Hook erupted Wednesday as authorities say a 19-year-old man with a troubled past and an AR-15 rifle stalked the halls of Parkland's Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School.

Expelled from the school over disciplinary problems, Nikolas Cruz is accused of squeezing off shot after shot as students took cover under desks, fire alarms blared and teachers barricaded classrooms. By the time it was over, 17 people were dead or dying, and 16 were wounded.

Cruz was arrested off campus and taken to Broward Sheriff's Office headquarters in Fort Lauderdale. Although some students described Cruz as a normal teenager, others and some of his neighbors called him strange, troubled and depressed.

A firearms enthusiast whose adoptive mother died Nov. 1, Cruz talked about shooting lizards, squirrels and frogs, said Trevor Hart, who knew him from Spanish class and said he seemed "a little off."

Police were called to his house numerous times, said a former neighbor, Shelby Speno.

"He wore a hoodie and always had his head down," said Janine Kartiganer, a former neighbor. "He looked depressed."

Panicked parents streamed to this affluent section of northwest Broward County on Wednesday afternoon, as news helicopters broadcast the incident live, police officers crouched behind cars with guns

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Parents waited for news Wednesday after they received reports of a shooter opening fire at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Fla. At left, police evacuated students from the school.

> **"I don't want to go back to this school. I can't go up the stairs. There's blood on the stairs."**
>
> **Christina Vega**
> *Student at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Fla.*

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